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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Letter # 5 - Substance Abuse

1. Any soldier who is impaired by drugs or alcohol jeopardizes the safety of his fellow soldiers. Leaders at all levels will identify soldiers with a substance abuse problem and ensure they get treatment.
2. I expect personnel in leadership positions to be role models in this area. A leader is on duty 24 hours a day and must be able to respond to incidents within their unit at all times. Company Commanders will notify their Summary Court-Martial Convening Authority (Battalion Commander) of all alcohol related incidents involving their soldiers.
3. Article 15 and Court-Martial Jurisdiction over drug related cases for soldiers E-1 through E-6 is reserved to the appropriate Summary Court-Martial Convening Authority (Battalion Commander). Cases involving soldiers in the grades of E-7 through E-9 are reserved to the Special Court-Martial Convening Authority (Brigade Commander).
4. Identify those soldiers who abuse drugs and alcohol, help those who can be helped, and take appropriate action against those who cannot. The quality soldier has the right to expect that each member of his section or crew can be counted on to pull his or her share of the load, and above all, be counted on in combat.

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